

# “Are You Experiencing the Joy of the Lord?”

## I. What Does the Bible Have to Say About Joy?

What does the Bible say about...

Who rejoices?	Good sources of joy	Evil sources of joy	Positive results of joy

## II. Where Does Real Joy Come From In Your Christian Life?

### A. Joy comes from believing the Word of God.

1. Joy is a fruit of the \_\_\_\_\_ Gal. 5:22, 1 Jn 1:4).
2. God fills a believer with joy when His word is \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 15:13).

### B. Joy comes from the Lord Himself

1. As a believer in Christ, you are \_\_\_\_\_ to rejoice in the Lord.
2. The object of your rejoicing should be “\_\_\_\_\_”.

*\*How does God want you to respond in light of your particular circumstances?*

**C. Joy comes from a complete salvation.**

1. Salvation from \_\_\_\_\_ is a source of joy (Luk. 8:13; Ac13:48, 16:34).
  
2. Salvation from \_\_\_\_\_ is a source of joy (Hab. 3:18, 1Th.1:6, Jam. 1:12, 1Pt.1:6-8).

*\*How can the Lord receive glory during your trials?*

3. Salvation from \_\_\_\_\_ is a source of joy (Jud. 1:24).

**III. What Factors Can Influence Your Joy As a Believer?**

- A. Sin **WILL** cause you to \_\_\_\_\_ joy in your Christian life (Psalm 32).

*\*How is joy restored when you sin? (also, Ps 51:12, 1 Jn. 1:9)*

- B. Seeing others failing to trust the Lord **MAY** \_\_\_\_\_ joy.

*\*Who is responsible for your joyful disposition?*

- C. Ministering to others **MAY** \_\_\_\_\_ joy.

*\*How can the Lord use you to encourage another believer?*

- D. Seeing others respond in faith and obedience to the Lord **MAY** \_\_\_\_\_ joy.

*\*Are you encouraged when you see another believer walking by faith? Or are you jealous?*

*\*How does all this apply to you?*